



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: **Catherine GUENTHER *et al.***

Serial No.: **09/895,840**

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Title: **Transgenic Mice Containing ROR $\gamma$   
Gene Disruptions**

Group Art Unit: **1636**

Examiner: **Qian, Celine X.**

Customer No. **26619**

Our Docket No. **R-409**

Date: **January 12, 2004**

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION ACCOMPANYING  
A REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

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Commissioner for Patents

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Dear Sir:

This amendment is responsive to the Final Office Action dated August 12, 2003 for which a three-month period for response was given, making this response due on or before November 12, 2003. Applicants submit concurrently herewith a Petition for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for response to the Office Action for a period of two (2) months from November 12, 2003 up to and including January 12, 2004. Further, submitted concurrently herewith is a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, along with the required fee.

In view of the amendments to the claims and the remarks set forth below, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

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